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STATUTES AND RULES.

CHAPTER I.

Of the Meetings, Functions and Privileges of the Trustees.

1. GENERAL Meetings of the Trustees shall CHAP. I.
General
Meetings. be held four times in the year; on the second Saturday in May and December at the Museum (Bloomsbury) and on the fourth Saturday in February and July at the Museum (Natural History).

2. Special General Meetings shall be summoned by the Principal Librarian, upon receiving notice in writing to that effect signed by two Trustees.

3. There shall be a Standing Committee, Standing
Committee. consisting of the Three Principal Trustees, the Trustee appointed by the Crown, and Fifteen other Trustees to be annually appointed at the General Meeting held on the second Saturday in May.

4. Vacancies in the Standing Committee shall be from time to time filled up at a General Meeting.

CHAP. I.
Standing
Committee.

5. Ordinary business shall be transacted by the Standing Committee, meeting at the Museum (Bloomsbury) or the Museum (Natural History). The Committee shall report their proceedings to General Meetings held at that branch of the Museum to which these refer.

6. No business shall be transacted by the Standing Committee unless Three Members at least be present.

7. They shall have power to affix the Seal of the Corporation to Documents requiring it.

8. They shall inquire, as often as they think fit, into the conduct of the Officers, Assistants, Attendants and Servants of the Museum; and give directions accordingly.

9. They may grant to the Officers leave of absence, provided that such absence, unless for special cause, do not extend beyond the space of eight weeks in the year, and that two at least of the Keepers of departments, having houses within the precincts of the Museum, be always in residence: provided also that the Keeper and the Assistant Keeper or Assistant Keepers of a department be not absent at the same time.

10. The Standing Committee shall also have power to order payment of all pecuniary demands upon the Trustees.

11. All moneys belonging to the Funds Account of the Trustees shall be kept at the Bank of England.

12. The Standing Committee shall have power to appoint Ordinary and Special Sub-Committees. Every Sub-Committee, unless for special cause, shall consist of not more than nine Trustees, three at least to be Members of the Standing Committee. Two Members of a Sub-Committee shall be a Quorum, of whom one at least shall be a Member of the Standing Committee.

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Sub-Commit-
tees.

13. At every General Meeting, as well as at every Meeting of the Standing Committee or of a Sub-Committee, the Trustee first called to the Chair, unless for special cause, shall occupy it so long as he is present at the Meeting.

Chairman of
Meetings.

14. There shall be a general Visitation by the Trustees every year of the Museum (Bloomsbury) on the second Saturday in May, and of the Museum (Natural History) on the fourth Saturday in July. Visitations at either Museum shall be held on such other day or days as the Trustees at a General Meeting, or the Standing Committee, may appoint.

Visitations.

15. Any Trustee shall have free access to every part of the Museum during Museum hours, and may take with him such persons as he shall please to introduce to every part, with the exception of the space within the bar in the Medal Room.

Privileges.

CHAPTER II.

Rules relative to the Principal Librarian and the Director.

CHAP. II.
Residence.

1. The Principal Librarian and all other persons having houses within the precincts of the Museum shall reside therein, unless leave of absence be granted by the Standing Committee.

Principal
Librarian.

2. The Principal Librarian, being chiefly entrusted with the care and custody of the Museum, is—

(1.) To be responsible for the safety of the Museum and of the Property and Collections therein; and to give orders in case of fire or other accidents.

(2.) To exercise a general superintendence over all the Departments at Bloomsbury; and to take care that the Officers, Assistants, Attendants and Servants be regular in their attendance and perform their proper duties; and to report every omission in this respect to the Standing Committee.

(3.) To make such remarks on the Reports of the Officers as he may think proper for the information of the Trustees.

(4.) To grant admission into the

Museum to persons of eminence either CHAP. II.
Principal
Librarian. for learning or rank, especially foreigners, desiring to inspect the Collections, but not able conveniently to avail themselves of the usual mode of admission.

(5.) To take care that the Museum be kept open during the appointed hours ; and that due order and propriety of behaviour be observed by all persons, whether visitors or others.

(6.) To grant admission into the Reading Room, the Print Room and the Sculpture Galleries ; and to provide that such facilities be afforded to the Readers and Students as are consistent with the security and preservation of the Collections.

(7.) To communicate to the Officers and others the orders of the Trustees ; and to see that they be duly carried into effect.

(8.) To be the editor of the Guides to the Collections ; to see that they be prepared and printed in accordance with such directions as may, from time to time, be given to him by the Standing Committee ; and to take care that a sufficient supply of copies be always ready to meet the public demand.

(9.) To be in attendance when the Museum shall be visited by the Sovereign

or by any members of the Royal Family, or by Royal Personages of other countries.

3. In case of the death or sickness of the Principal Librarian, the senior Officer in residence shall exercise his functions.

4. It is the duty of the Principal Librarian, in the capacity of Secretary,—

(1.) To attend all meetings of the Trustees excepting those held at the Museum (Natural History); to take down the minutes of their proceedings; to prepare lists of accounts due from the Trustees and payable from the Parliamentary Grant, to be submitted for approval at each meeting of the Standing Committee, and to take care that orders for payment are duly made upon the Paymaster-General; to conduct the correspondence of the Trustees; to issue all summonses for meetings at Bloomsbury; to notify to the Principal Trustees the vacancies which may occur in the establishment; and also to take the chief charge of all records and other documents connected with the business of the Trust.

(2.) He is charged with all payments made on account of the Museum from the Funds Account at the Bank of England; he is therefore empowered

to sign Cheques for payments from the Funds Account; and of these payments he is to keep an exact statement, which shall be laid before the Standing Committee at the close of each financial year.

CHAP. II.
Principal
Librarian.

(3.) He shall give securities for the due discharge of his office, to the amount of 10,000*l.*: that is to say, his own bond for 5,000*l.*, and two other securities in a joint and several bond to the amount of 5,000*l.*

(4.) He is to examine and check all bills sent in by tradespeople, and certify that the articles have been ordered under proper authority, that the charges are duly made, and that the computations are accurate.

(5.) He is to keep a weekly account of all work done for the Trust paid otherwise than by fixed monthly or annual Salaries; and to certify that such work has been duly authorised and that the charges are accurate.

(6.) He is to keep an account of all books connected with the Museum at Bloomsbury published by the Trustees, and of the number of copies delivered and disposed of; and periodically to ascertain that the stock in hand corresponds with the account.

CHAP. II.
Principal
Librarian.

(7.) He is to examine and check the printers' and booksellers' accounts, and receive the moneys due from booksellers and other persons.

(8.) He is to keep an account of the Stationery received and expended ; and make all applications to the Stationery Office.

5. The Director of the Museum (Natural History) shall perform duties at that Museum connected with custody and superintendence, the admission of Visitors and Students, editing Guides, and keeping accounts of publications and stationery similar to those discharged by the Principal Librarian at the Museum (Bloomsbury). He shall also issue summonses for and attend, as Secretary, meetings of the Trustees held at the Museum (Natural History).

CHAPTER III.

Rules relative to the Subordinate Officers, Assistants, Attendants and Servants.

CHAP. III.
Subordinate
Officers.

1. The Subordinate Officers are to assist the Principal Librarian in the care and custody of the Museum ; they are strictly enjoined to give immediate notice to him if any article in the Museum be lost or damaged ; to be careful that

everything within their Departments be at all times preserved in good and exact order; that full and accurate Catalogues or Lists be made and kept, comprising every article under their care; and that the rooms of their Departments be neat and clean.

CHAP. III.
Subordinate
Officers.

2. They shall give the whole of their time, subject to any regulations which may from time to time be made by the Standing Committee, to the service of the Museum and the discharge of the proper duties of their several Departments; and they shall not be absent from the Museum without giving previous notice in writing to the Principal Librarian or, in respect to the Museum (Natural History), to the Director, and to the senior Officer of their Departments.

3. For the purpose of seeing that the Assistants, Attendants and Servants be at their post, and that due order be observed, some one at least of the resident Keepers of Departments shall remain in the Museum until five o'clock during March, April, September, and October; and until six o'clock during May, June, July, and August of every year.

4. The Keepers or, in their absence, the Assistant Keepers, shall make monthly Reports to the Standing Committee on the progress of the business in their Departments, and, within the first fortnight after Christmas of every year, lay before the Standing Committee annual

Keepers and
Assistant
Keepers.

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Keepers and
Assistant
Keepers.

Reports as well on the business done in their Departments as on the nature and extent of the Additions made to the Collections under their care.

5. The Keepers of Departments shall see that every article bequeathed or presented to the Trustees of the Museum be distinguished by marking on it or attaching to it the name of the Person bequeathing or presenting the same, with the date of its reception in the Museum.

6. The Keepers of Departments shall take care that the Assistant Keepers, Assistants, Attendants and Servants, be regular in their attendance and perform their proper duties, and shall report every omission in this respect to the Principal Librarian or to the Director. They shall not grant to any Assistant, Attendant or Servant, leave of absence from the Museum for a whole day, without first obtaining in that behalf the consent of the Principal Librarian or Director.

7. The Assistant Keepers shall, if required by the Standing Committee, have their usual abode within one mile of the Museum.

8. The Keepers of the Printed Books and Maps, of the Manuscripts, and of the Prints and Drawings, shall see that every article received in their Departments be duly stamped with the Museum Stamp.

9. The Keeper of the Printed Books and

Maps shall superintend and enforce the delivery CHAP. III.
of the Books and Maps under the Copyright
Act.

10. The Superintendent and the Clerk of The Superin-
tendent and
the Clerk of
the Reading
Room. the Reading Room shall attend in the Reading
Room, and on no account leave it, unless some
other person or persons specially appointed by
the Principal Librarian attend in his or their
place.

11. The Superintendent shall keep a Register
of the names of the persons who are duly ad-
mitted into the Reading Room ; and shall not
allow other persons to enter it. He shall assist
the Readers in their studies and researches.
He shall keep order in the Room and see that
Readers be provided with the printed books,
manuscripts and maps, which they require ; and
he shall take care that they do no damage to
them.

12. The Assistants, being under the imme- Assistants.
diate direction of the Senior Officer of the
Department in which they are employed, shall
not absent themselves from the Museum with-
out leave from him first obtained. Every
Assistant shall keep a Diary, wherein he shall
daily enter the business on which he is engaged,
especially recording his absence from the
Museum during any part of the day. All
such Diaries shall be inspected and signed
on the first day of every month by the Senior
Officer of the Department and forthwith trans-

CHAP. III.
Assistants.

mitted by him, with such observations as he shall think fit, to the Principal Librarian or Director.

Chief Messen-
gers.

13. The Chief Messenger at each Museum shall superintend the Attendants and Servants; he shall keep a daily Register of their attendance and report to the proper Officer every instance of negligence or misbehaviour. He shall keep an account as well of Letters and Parcels received and delivered as of the charges on the same, and of such other expenses as are usually included in a petty cash account. He shall see that no persons be improperly admitted into the interior of the Museum, and that Visitors be conducted by some fit person to the Department for which they inquire. He shall be careful that the fires be extinguished at the proper time; and for this purpose he shall, immediately after the closing of the Museum, visit all the rooms in which fires have been lighted. He shall also take care that, in the evening, the windows and doors be properly secured and the Museum left in a state of safety. He shall receive the House-keys from persons who have the use of them, when they leave the Museum. He shall see that the keys are so left, and shall report to the Principal Librarian, or Director, any irregularity in this respect.

Attendance of
Officers at
Meetings of the
Trustees,

14. Every Officer shall be in readiness to give attendance, if required, at the Meetings of

the Trustees; and he shall remain within the precincts of the Museum during the time of every General Visitation.

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Attendance of
Officers at
Meetings of the
Trustees.

15. No person appointed to any office or employment in the Museum shall hold any other office or engage in other business without the permission of the Standing Committee.

Other Offices
not to be held
without per-
mission.

16. In framing these regulations, the Trustees are aware that it is impossible for them to define the duty of each officer with a sufficient degree of precision for all possible emergencies; in addition, therefore, to the above rules, it is to be considered as a general instruction to the several Officers that they conduct themselves as becomes men of honour, integrity and liberality, in the conscientious discharge of the duties of their respective stations, and as men who have the credit and utility of the Museum truly at heart.

General
Instruction.

CHAPTER IV.

Concerning Admission to the British Museum.

1. The Holidays to be observed at the Museum are Christmas Day, Good Friday and every special Fast or Thanksgiving day appointed by authority.

CHAP. IV.
Holidays.

CHAP. IV.
Days and
Hours of
Admission.

2. With the exception of certain rooms which will be closed on particular days for the purpose of the arrangement of the collections and for the visits of such persons as may be admitted, under rule 11, to examine any part of the collections more minutely than can be done on the public days, the Museum shall be open every day except Sunday; excepting also on the holidays above mentioned. During Christmas, Easter, and Whitsun weeks, the whole of the Museum shall be open every day except Sunday.

3. The hours for viewing the Collections are from ten till four during January, February, November and December; from ten till five during March, April, September and October; from ten till six during May, June, July and August: on Monday and Saturday from the 1st of May to the middle of July from ten till eight and from the middle of July to the end of August from ten till seven.

Admission.

4. Any person desiring to view the Collections on the open days may be required to inscribe his name and place of abode in a book to be kept in the Entrance Hall for that purpose.

Behaviour.

5. Visitors are to be decent and orderly in their appearance and behaviour; and the officers are to exclude all others or cause them to withdraw.

6. The Reading Room of the Museum shall

be kept open on every day of the week except Sunday, and except Good Friday, Christmas Day, and any Fast or Thanksgiving Day appointed by authority ; except also the first four week-days of March and October ; from nine in the morning till eight in the evening from September to April, inclusive, and till seven during the other months.

CHAP. IV.
Reading Room.

7. Any person desiring to be admitted into the Reading Room is to apply in writing to the Principal Librarian, specifying his profession or business, his place of abode and, if required, the purpose for which he seeks admission : his application must be accompanied by a written recommendation satisfactory to the Principal Librarian ; and, thereupon, the Principal Librarian may grant to him admission or refer the application to the Trustees at their next Meeting.

8. Readers are not to lay the paper on which they write upon the book or manuscript they are copying from.

9. No person is to write or make any mark whatsoever on any printed book, manuscript or map. The permission to use the Reading Room will be immediately withdrawn from any one infringing this rule.

10. The Keeper, Assistant Keeper and Assistants, of the Department of Manuscripts, and the Superintendent and Clerk of the Reading Room, shall attentively observe persons

CHAP. IV. inspecting or transcribing charters, legal instruments and other manuscripts.

Special Rules
for using the
Collections.

11. Persons engaged in works of learning or in the prosecution of useful designs, desiring to examine any part of the Collections with more attention than can be done in the ordinary way of viewing the Museum or using the Reading Room, are to apply in writing to the Principal Librarian or, as regards the Museum (Natural History), to the Director, who may grant permission, or refer the application to the Standing Committee at their next Meeting.

12. No part of the Collections shall be carried out of the precincts of the Museum, documents or other things required to be produced in evidence only excepted; for which purpose application shall be made to the Standing Committee at their next meeting, or, in urgent cases, to the Principal Librarian, or to the Director. If the application be granted, one of the Keepers or Assistant Keepers, or one of the Assistants, shall carry out such document or other thing and keep it constantly in his custody, allowing it to be inspected only in his presence, unless by command of superior authority.

13. Members of the Royal Academy, Artists and Students, may be admitted into the Museum for the purpose of copying sculptures or other objects of art, from Monday to Friday (except on the Holidays above mentioned) from nine till four during January,

February, November and December; from nine till five during March, April, September and October; and from nine till six during May, June, July and August. On Saturday the admission to the Sculpture Galleries shall be from eleven to the hours mentioned.

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Special Rules
for using the
Collections.

14. Any person desiring to be admitted into the Museum for the purpose of copying sculptures or other objects of art, or for the purpose of study in the Print Room, is to apply in writing to the Principal Librarian, and in respect to Natural History Departments to the Director, specifying his profession or business, and his place of abode and, if not a member of the Royal Academy, accompanying his letter with a written recommendation satisfactory to the Principal Librarian or Director, who, thereupon, may grant admission, or refer the application to the Trustees at their next Meeting.

15. The privilege of admission to the Reading Room or any department of the Museum is in all cases granted upon condition that it may be at any time suspended by the Principal Librarian; or, at the Museum (Natural History) by the Director; and that it may be at any time withdrawn by the Trustees in their absolute discretion.

16. No Attendant or Servant shall, on any pretence, take any fee, reward or gratuity from persons visiting the Museum or using the Collections.

No Fee
allowable.

CHAPTER V.

*Regulations for the Department of Coins
and Medals.*

CHAP. V.
General Rules.

1. The Keeper and Assistant Keeper of the Department shall never both be absent from London at the same time as the Principal Librarian, and they shall be responsible for the due observance of this regulation.

2. Two persons, Officers or Assistants of the Department, shall always be on duty in the Medal Room at the same time.

3. The fire guards for the use of the Department shall be fitted with spring locks, to be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon for the remainder of the day and the key to be kept by the Officer in charge. No taper or other light of any kind shall be allowed in the Department, except the lantern used for lighting fires and the spirit lamp required occasionally for making casts of coins in the Medal Room. No person shall be allowed to make such casts except by the authority of the Trustees. The spirit lamp shall not be kept in the Department nor allowed to be there at any other time than when it is in actual use for the purpose aforesaid.

4. All the cabinets shall be kept locked and the keys shall remain in the custody of the Keeper or Assistant Keeper, who may at their discretion give them to such Assistants as have occasion to consult the collections. Each cabinet shall have a number attached to it, and a daybook shall be kept, in which shall be registered the number of every cabinet opened each day, and by whom. Special locks shall be put at the discretion of the Keeper of the Department upon any of the cabinets. All Cabinets opened shall be again locked as soon as the Coin, Medal, or tray required for examination shall have been taken out. The key shall be returned at once to the Keeper or Assistant Keeper, and no cabinet shall be left open at the close of the official day.

5. All dummies of whatever kind and all coloured cards used for headings in the trays shall be kept in the Keeper's study, under lock and key, in the custody of the Officer in charge.

6. No person, other than a Trustee, or the Principal Librarian, or the Officers and Assistants of the Department of Coins and Medals, or the Officers of the Departments of Antiquities, shall be admitted within the bar of the Medal Room.

7. The seat of the Assistant Keeper shall be in the Medal Room, and he shall occupy a study only when engaged on duties which

CHAP. V.
General Rules

cannot be properly performed in the Medal Room.

8. The duties of the Assistants in the Department of Coins and Medals shall be confined to that Department only.

9. Whenever the Keeper or Assistant Keeper shall exercise the power of relaxing any Rule, the fact and the reason of such relaxation shall be entered by him in a book kept for the purpose, which book shall be laid before the Trustees at each ordinary meeting of the Standing Committee.

10. A certain portion of the collection of Coins and Medals shall be exhibited, and the Coins and Medals so exhibited shall, from time to time, be changed at the discretion of the Keeper of the Department, so that the whole of the collection may, in due course, be exhibited to the public. A register shall be kept, in which shall be recorded the number of Coins or Medals exhibited from time to time under their classes and metals, and this register shall be so framed as at once to afford the means of verifying the contents of the whole collection.

Concerning
Coins or Medals
not the Property of the
Trustees.

11. No persons shall be allowed to bring Coins or Medals to the Medal Room, for the purpose of comparison, without first obtaining the express permission of the Keeper, or, in his absence, of the Assistant Keeper; and this permission shall be granted only on special occasions.

12. All Coins or Medals brought into the Department for the purpose of sale, presentation or examination, shall be delivered at once into the possession or custody of the Keeper of the Department, and kept in his study until they shall become the property of the Trustees or be returned to their owners : and no person belonging to the Department other than the Keeper or, in his absence, the Assistant Keeper shall have any Coins or Medals in his possession or custody within the Museum, except for the purpose of registration or cataloguing.

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Concerning
Coins or Medals
not the Property of the
Trustees.

13. All Coins or Medals, when and so often as acquired, shall be placed in their proper classes.

Concerning
Registration,
and Catalogues
of Coins and
Medals.

14. All Coins and Medals so acquired shall be registered according to their classes, and, so far as possible, simultaneously and without loss of time.

15. A separate Register Book shall be kept for each class of Coins and Medals, as for Roman, Greek, &c. In registering Coins and Medals, or parcels of Coins and Medals, acquired from the collection of any one person, references shall be made from each Register to other Registers, if there be any, containing descriptions of other portions, if there be any, of the same collection.

16. All entries in the Registers shall be made as full as possible, in order that the

Registers themselves may be used for Catalogues.

17. In making entries of Coins and Medals, the rules laid down for the Catalogue of Greek Coins shall be, so far as possible, observed for all other classes.

18. No Coins or Medals shall be delivered to any Assistant for the purpose of preparing for registration, or for registering or cataloguing, or for any other purpose, until such Assistant shall be at liberty and able at once to enter upon the proper execution of his work.

19. When an Assistant is engaged on registering or Cataloguing, no more Coins or Medals shall be on his table at one time than may be necessary for the proper execution of his work.

20. Coins or Medals delivered to an Assistant for any purpose whatsoever shall be returned to the Keeper, or, in his absence, to the Assistant Keeper, at the end of each day; and no Coins or Medals shall be allowed to remain in the Medal Room when the room is closed, except such as are registered and incorporated with their respective classes.

21. In the process of incorporating Coins or Medals, or of re-arranging Coins or Medals, when it shall become necessary to withdraw or supply dummies, or to supply heading cards, the Keeper or Assistant Keeper of the Department shall withdraw or supply such dum-

mies or heading cards. The Assistant who has been engaged on the previous processes of the incorporation or re-arrangement shall in every case be present.

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Registration,
and Catalogues
of Coins and
Medals.

22. A hand Catalogue shall be made, to show important Coins and Medals; such hand Catalogue to be always in the custody of the Keeper of the Department; and when alterations in it are necessary, they shall be first submitted for approval to the Keeper or to the Assistant Keeper.

23. Sulphur Casts shall be made of important Coins and Medals.

24. No Coin or Medal shall be rejected as a duplicate, or incorporated with the collection of duplicates, until it shall have been first submitted to the Keeper or, in his absence, to the Assistant Keeper and duly compared by him with the Coins or Medals in the General Collection.

Concerning
Duplicate
Coins and
Medals.

25. A list shall from time to time be made of all duplicate Coins or Medals set apart as such from the General Collection.

26. A Sulphur Cast shall from time to time be made of every Coin or Medal parted with as a duplicate.

27. A card shall be placed under each duplicate Coin or Medal removed from the General Collection, showing from what collection or parcel (if any) the Coin or Medal which has

CHAP. V. been incorporated with the General Collection in its place has been acquired.

Concerning
Inspection of
Coins and
Medals by
Visitors.

28. No stranger, unless personally known to the Keeper, Assistant Keeper or one of the Assistants in the Department, shall be allowed to see the Coins or Medals without a written introduction satisfactory to the Keeper or Assistant Keeper; and all such introductions shall be filed in a Register by themselves.

29. A day-book shall be kept recording the examination of Coins or Medals not under glass by visitors, with the name and address of each such visitor and the name of the person or persons in attendance on such occasions, the latter to make the entry, which shall be signed by the visitor and the person or persons in attendance.

30. It is strictly forbidden to show Coins or Medals to visitors, unless the Keeper or Assistant Keeper and at least one Assistant be present in the Medal Room during the visit, and unless some one person attached to the Department be looking on and watching. No person, unless attached to the Department, shall be allowed to show Coins or Medals to visitors.

31. All Coins and Medals shall be exhibited to visitors under glass, excepting such as the Keeper or Assistant Keeper shall allow to be handled for numismatic or scientific purposes,

No person shall be allowed to have in his hand a Coin or Medal belonging to the Department and have at the same time in his hand a Coin or Medal of his own.

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Concerning
Inspection of
Coins and
Medals by
Visitors.

32. Only one tray of Coins or Medals at a time shall be exhibited to visitors unless for any special purpose, when the Keeper or, in his absence, the Assistant Keeper may use his discretion as to the extent to which the rule should be relaxed.

Each tray of Coins or Medals shall be removed from the bar before another be placed upon it.

33. No person, other than a Trustee or the Principal Librarian, unless attached to the Department, shall have access to any of the Cabinets.

Concerning the
Care and Pro-
tection of the
Collections.

34. The Cabinets and Presses in the Keeper's room shall be kept always locked. The keys of these Cabinets and Presses shall be in the custody of the Keeper or, in his absence, of the Assistant Keeper.

35. No Coins or Medals, after having been registered or catalogued, shall be kept in the study of the Keeper or of the Assistant Keeper. But all Coins and Medals shall be kept in the Medal Room, with the exception of such as may, with the sanction of the Trustees, be from time to time exhibited in the Gold Ornament Room or elsewhere in the Museum.

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Care and Pro-
tection of the
Collections.

36. The door opening from the corridor into the Medal Room shall be always kept closed.

37. The door communicating from the Gold Ornament Room to the study of the Assistant Keeper shall be kept always locked, and also the door from the same room into the Keeper's study—whenever he is absent from his duties—unless when this room may be occupied by the Assistant Keeper in the absence of the Keeper.

Concerning
Admission of
Strangers to
the Coin and
Medal Room
and Keepers'
Studies.

38. No stranger shall be allowed to draw or copy in the study of the Keeper or of the Assistant Keeper; and no stranger shall be allowed to sit in the Medal Room for the purpose of drawing or copying unless employed by the Trustees or the Keeper to make drawings or copies of Coins or Medals; but, if so employed, such stranger shall sit outside the bar, and only one person shall be so employed at the same time.

39. All strangers who may be admitted to the study of the Keeper or of the Assistant Keeper shall be introduced through the Gold Ornament Room, and not through the Medal Room.

40. No stranger shall be left alone in the study of the Keeper or Assistant Keeper; and no stranger shall be admitted into the Medal Room, or be allowed to remain there, unless two at least of the Assistants or their superior

Officer, attached to the Department, be present.

CHAP. V.
Concerning
Admission of
Strangers to
the Coin and
Medal Room
and Keepers'
Studies.

41. No person not attached to the Department of Coins and Medals, other than Keepers or Assistant Keepers of Departments or Assistants in the other Departments of Antiquities, shall be permitted to draw or study in the Medal Room, or in the study of the Keeper or of the Assistant Keeper, without the express sanction of the Principal Librarian, to be obtained on a written application supported by the recommendation of the Keeper of the Department or, in his absence, of the Assistant Keeper, such application to be laid before the Trustees at their next meeting.

CHAPTER VI.

Concerning the Security of the Museum.

1. That the Museum (Bloomsbury) may at no time be left without a proper Officer responsible for its safety and duly authorized to give orders in case of fire or other accidents, some one of the resident Subordinate Officers shall always remain within the precincts of the Museum, who, in the absence of the Principal Librarian, shall be responsible for the safety of the Museum, and of the Property

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and Collections therein, and shall have authority to give orders in case of fire or other accidents. The Principal Librarian shall see that this Rule be strictly observed.

2. Every Subordinate Officer shall pay particular attention to the security of his Department; and for that purpose see that, after Museum hours, the windows and doors be properly fastened, and that the fires be extinguished or left so as not to be dangerous.

3. Whenever it is necessary to bring portable lights into the Museum, they shall be carried in lanterns to be specially provided for that purpose. Lamps properly secured and approved by the Trustees may be used in the office of the Principal Librarian, and of the Director, and in the studies of the several Keepers.

4. The Principal Librarian and the Director shall take care that the fire-engines and the pipes belonging to them be continually kept in good order; and that the reservoirs be always in a state fit for service.

5. PRINTED REGULATIONS FOR THE GENERAL SECURITY OF THE MUSEUM shall from time to time be placed in the hands of the resident Officers, the Messengers, the Clerk of the Works and such other persons as the Principal Librarian or the Director shall think fit.

TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS

OF

THE BRITISH MUSEUM.

TRUSTEES.

Forty-nine; *viz.* 24 by Office, 1 by the Appointment of the Crown, 9 by Family Appointment, and 15 Elected.

BY OFFICE.

24.

Three Principal Trustees.

OFFICES.	NAMES. 1886.
The Archbishop of Canterbury	Edward White Benson, D.D.
The Lord Chancellor	Farrer, Lord Herschell.
The Speaker of the House of Commons	The Right Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel.

And Twenty-one others.

The Lord President of the Council	John Poyntz, Earl Spencer, K.G.
The First Lord of the Treasury	The Right Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, M.P.
The Lord Privy Seal	The Right Hon. William Ewart Gladstone, M.P.
The First Lord of the Admiralty	George Frederick Samuel, Marquis of Ripon, K.G.
The Lord Steward	John Robert, Earl Sydney, G.C.B.
The Lord Chamberlain	Valentine Augustus, Earl of Kenmare, K.P.

OFFICES.

NAMES. 1886.

The Principal Secretaries of State	{	The Right Hon. Hugh Cul- ling Eardley Childers, M.P.
		Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery.
		Granville George, Earl Gran- ville, K.G.
		The Right Hon. Henry Campbell-Bannerman, M.P.
The Bishop of London		John, Earl of Kimberley.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer		Frederick Temple, D.D.
		The Right Hon. Sir William George Granville Vernon Harcourt, M.P.
The Lord Chief Justice, Queen's Bench		John Duke, Lord Coleridge.
The Master of the Rolls		William Baliol, Lord Esher.
The Attorney-General		Sir Charles Russell, M.P.
The Solicitor-General		Sir Horace Davey.
The President of the Royal Society		Prof. George Gabriel Stokes, D.C.L.
The President of the College of Physicians		Sir William Jenner, Bart., K.C.B., M.D.
The President of the Society of Antiquaries		John Evans, Esq., D.C.L., LL.D.
The President of the Royal Academy		Sir Frederick Leighton, Bart.

APPOINTED BY THE SOVEREIGN.

I.

- 1832 H.R.H. The Duke of Gloucester, K.G.
- 1834 Hugh, Duke of Northumberland, K.G.
- 1847 H.R.H. The Duke of Cambridge, K.G.
- 1859 The Rev. William Cureton, D.D.
- 1864 The Hon. and Very Rev. Gerald Wellesley, Dean of Windsor.
- 1881 H.R.H. Prince Leopold George Duncan Albert, Duke of Albany, K.G.
- 1884 The Very Rev. Randall Thomas Davidson, Dean of Windsor.

FAMILY TRUSTEES.

9.

Sloane Family, 2.

1753 Charles, Lord Cadogan.

—— Hans Stanley, Esq.

- 1779 Charles Sloane, Lord Cadogan . . . v. Charles, Lord Cadogan.
 1788 Rt. Hon. Welborne Ellis (Ld. Mendip) v. Hans Stanley.
 1803 Hans Sloane, Esq. v. Lord Mendip.
 1833 George, Earl Cadogan v. Charles Sloane, Lord Cadogan.
 1835 Right Hon. Edward Geoffrey Smith,
 Lord Stanley (Earl of Derby) . . . v. Hans Sloane, Esq.
 1864 Henry Charles, Earl Cadogan . . . v. George, Earl Cadogan.
 1866 Rt. Hon. Edward Henry, Lord Stanley
 (Earl of Derby) v. Edward Geoffrey Smith,
 Earl of Derby.
 1873 George Henry, Earl Cadogan . . . v. Henry Charles, Earl Cadogan.

Cotton Family, 2.

1753 Samuel Burroughs, Esq.

—— Thomas Hart, Esq.

- 1757 Philip, Earl of Hardwicke v. Thomas Hart, Esq.
 1764 Velters Cornwall, Esq. v. S. Burroughs, Esq.
 —— Hon. Charles Yorke v. Earl of Hardwicke.
 1768 John Bosworth, DD. v. Velters Cornwall, Esq.
 1770 Francis Barrell, Esq. v. Hon. Charles Yorke.
 1772 Francis Annesley, Esq. v. Francis Barrell, Esq.
 1786 Sir George Cornwall, Bart. v. J. Bosworth, D.D.
 1812 Rev. Arthur Annesley v. Francis Annesley, Esq.
 1819 George Booth Tyndale, Esq. . . . v. Sir Geo. Cornwall, Bart.
 1845 Rev. Francis Annesley v. Rev. Arthur Annesley.
 1845 George Annesley, Esq. v. Geo. Booth Tyndale, Esq.
 1872 Rev. Francis Hanbury Annesley . . v. Geo. Annesley, Esq.
 1882 Rev. Sir George Henry Cornwall, Bart. v. Rev. Francis Annesley.

Harley Family, 2.

1753 William, Duke of Portland.

—— Edward, Earl of Oxford.

- 1755 Edward, Earl of Oxford . . . v. Edward, Earl of Oxford.
 1764 Wm. H. Cavendish, Duke of Portland . v. William, Duke of Portland.
 1793 W. H. Cavendish, Marquess of Titch-
 field (Duke of Portland) . . . v. Edward, Earl of Oxford.
 1813 Rt. Hon. George Canning . . . v. Wm. H. Cavendish, Duke
 of Portland.
 1829 Lord Henry W. Cavendish Bentinck . v. Rt. Hon. Geo. Canning.
 —— Rt. Hon. Geo. Agar Ellis (Ld. Dover) . v. W. H. Cavendish, Duke of
 Portland, resigned.
 1834 John Frederick, Earl Cawdor . . . v. Lord Dover.
 1860 Charles John, Earl Canning . . . v. John Fred., Earl Cawdor.
 1862 George Granville Francis, Earl of
 Ellesmere . . . v. Chas. John, Earl Canning.
 1871 Lord Henry Charles George Gordon
 Lennox, M.P. . . . v. George Granville Francis,
 Earl of Ellesmere.
 —— George Augustus Frederick Cavendish
 Bentinck, Esq., M.P. . . . v. Lord Henry W. Cavendish
 Bentinck.

Towneley Family, 1.

1805 Edward Townley Standish, Esq.

- 1807 John Towneley, Esq. . . . v. E. Townley Standish, Esq.
 1814 Richard Payne Knight, Esq. . . v. J. Towneley, Esq.
 1824 Peregrine Edward Townley, Esq. . v. R. P. Knight, Esq.
 1847 Charles Towneley, Esq. . . . v. P. E. Townley, Esq.
 1876 John Towneley, Esq. . . . v. C. Towneley, Esq.
 1878 Thomas, Lord O'Hagan . . . v. J. Towneley, Esq.
 1885 Montagu Arthur, Earl of Abingdon . v. Thomas, Lord O'Hagan.

Earls of Elgin, 1.

- 1816 Thomas, Earl of Elgin.
 1841 James, Earl of Elgin.
 1870 Victor Alexander, Earl of Elgin.

Knight Family, 1.

- 1824 Thomas Andrew Knight, Esq.
 1838 John Knight, Esq. v. T. A. Knight, Esq.
 1850 Frederic Winn Knight, Esq., C.B., M.P. v. John Knight, Esq.
 (Sir F. W. Knight, K.C.B.)

ELECTED TRUSTEES.

15.

[Those marked with * are Trustees in Office, 1885.]

	Archibald, Duke of Argyle.
	Hugh, Earl of Northumberland.
	Lord Charles Cavendish.
	Hugh, Lord Willoughby of Parham.
	Hon. Philip Yorke.
	Sir George Lyttleton, Bart.
First	Sir John Evelyn, Bart.
Election, {	William Sloane, Esq.
1753.	James West, Esq.
	Nicholas Hardinge, Esq.
	Charles Gray, Esq.
	William Sotheby, Esq.
	Thomas Birch, D.D.
	John Ward, LL.D.
	Mr. (Sir) William Watson.

Succession.

- 1761 Rt. Hon. Arthur Onslow v. Duke of Argyle.
 — Gustavus Brander, Esq. v. N. Hardinge, Esq.
 1764 Philip, Earl of Hardwicke v. Hon. Philip Yorke.
 1765 John, Earl of Bute v. John Ward, LL.D.
 — James Harris, Esq. v. Sir John Evelyn, Bart.
 — Daniel Wray, Esq. v. Lord Willoughby of Parham
 1766 Charles Littleton, Bishop of Carlisle . v. Thomas Birch, D.D.
 — Matthew Duane, Esq. v. William Sotheby, Esq.
 1767 Hans Sloane, Esq. v. William Sloane, Esq.
 1768 William, Earl of Bessborough . . . v. Rt. Hon. Arthur Onslow.

Succession.

1769	Hon. Edwin Sandys (Lord Sandys)	v. Bishop of Carlisle.
1772	Richard Kaye, D.D. (Sir Richard Kaye, Bart.)	v. James West, Esq.
1773	Henry Cavendish, Esq.	v. Sir Géorge Lyttleton, Bart.
1783	Sir William Hamilton	v. James Harris, Esq.
—	Sir William Musgrave, Bart.	v. Charles Gray, Esq.
1797	Lord Frederick Campbell	v. Lord Sandys.
1784	Rev. Clayton Mordaunt Cracherode, M.A.	v. Lord Charles Cavendish.
—	Thomas Tyrwhitt, Esq.	v. Daniel Wray, Esq.
1787	Heneage, Earl of Aylesford	v. Matthew Duane, Esq.
—	George, Earl of Leicester (Marquess Townshend)	v. Earl of Northumberland.
—	John Douglas, Bishop of Salisbury	v. Thomas Tyrwhitt, Esq.
—	Thomas Astle, Esq.	v. Gustavus Brander, Esq.
1791	Charles Townley, Esq.	v. Sir William Watson.
—	George John, Earl of Spencer	v. Earl of Hardwicke.
1793	Augustus Henry, Duke of Grafton	v. Earl of Bute.
—	Right Hon. Frederick Montagu	v. Earl of Bessborough.
1799	Shute Barrington, Bishop of Durham	v. Rev. C. M. Cracherode.
1800	John, Marquess of Bute	v. Sir William Musgrave, Bart.
1801	Alexander, Earl of Rosslyn	v. Rt. Hon. Fred. Montagu.
1803	Philip, Earl of Hardwicke	v. Hans Sloane, Esq, appointed a Family Trustee.
1804	Right Hon. Sir William Scott (Lord Stowell)	v. Sir W. Hamilton.
—	Right Hon. George Rose	v. Thomas Astle, Esq.
1805	Alleyne, Lord St. Helens	v. Earl of Rosslyn.
—	George, Earl Macartney	v. Charles Townley, Esq.
1806	George Granville Leveson Gower, Marquess of Stafford (Duke of Sutherland)	v. Earl Macartney.
1807	William Windham, Lord Grenville	v. Bishop of Salisbury.
1810	Thomas Dampier, Bishop of Ely	v. Sir Richard Kaye, Bart.
—	George, Earl of Ashburnham	v. Henry Cavendish, Esq
1811	Dudley, Earl of Harrowby	v. Duke of Grafton.
1812	Sylvester, Lord Glenbervie	v. Marquess Townshend.

Succession.

- 1812 Rt. Hon. Charles Long (Lord Farnborough) v. Bishop of Ely.
- George, Earl of Aberdeen v. Earl of Aylesford.
- 1815 John Henry, Duke of Rutland v. Marquess of Bute.
- 1817 Henry Bankes, Esq. v. Lord Frederick Campbell.
- 1818 Charles, Lord Colchester v. Rt. Hon. George Rose.
- 1823 Sir George Beaumont, Bart. v. Lord Glenbervie.
- 1825 John Jefferies, Marquess Camden v. Bishop of Durham.
- 1827 Henry, Marquess of Lansdowne v. Sir George Beaumont, Bart.
- 1829 Alexander Baring, Esq. (Lord Ashburton) v. Lord Colchester.
- 1830 Rt. Hon. Thomas Grenville v. Lord Stowell, resigned.
- John, Earl of Eldon v. Earl of Ashburnham.
- 1833 Right Hon. Sir Robert Peel, Bart. v. Duke of Sutherland.
- 1834 Alexander, Duke of Hamilton v. Lord Grenville.
- Edward Smith, Earl of Derby v. Earl Spencer.
- Sir Robert Harry Inglis, Bart. (Right Hon.) v. Earl of Hardwicke.
- William Vesey, Lord Fitzgerald and Vesey v. Henry Bankes, Esq.
- 1837 Henry Hallam, Esq. v. Lord St. Helens, resigned.
- 1838 George, Earl of Carlisle v. Earl of Eldon.
- William Richard Hamilton, Esq. v. Lord Farnborough.
- 1841 George Granville Sutherland Leveson Gower, Duke of Sutherland v. The Marquess Camden.
- Sir John Fred. Wm. Herschell, Bart. v. Lord Fitzgerald.
- 1847 Rt. Hon. Thomas Babington Macaulay (Lord Macaulay) v. The Rt. Hon. Tho. Grenville.
- The Very Rev. Wm. Buckland, D.D., Dean of Westminster v. George, Earl of Carlisle, resigned.
- 1849 Rt. Hon. Henry Goulburn v. Lord Ashburton.
- Rt. Hon. Sir David Dundas v. Sir J. F. W. Herschell, Bart., resigned.

Succession.

- 1849 Spencer Joshua Alwyne, Marquess
of Northampton *v.* The Earl of Harrowby.
- 1851 Sir Philip de Malpas Grey Egerton,
Bart., M.P. *v.* Sir Robert Peel, Bart.
- Edward Adolphus, Lord Seymour,
(Duke of Somerset, K.G.) *v.* Marquess of Northampton.
- 1852 Sir Roderick Impey Murchison (Bart.,
K.C.B.) *v.* Earl of Derby.
- 1853 The Very Reverend Henry Hart Mil-
man, D.D., Dean of St. Paul's . . *v.* Duke of Hamilton.
- 1855 Rt. Hon. Lord John Russell (Earl
Russell, K.G.) *v.* Rt. Hon. Sir R. H. Inglis,
Bart.
- 1856 Rt. Hon. William Ewart Gladstone,
M.P. *v.* Rt. Hon. Henry Goulburn.
- 1857 Rt. Hon. Sir George Cornwall Lewis,
Bart., M.P. *v.* The Very Rev. Wm. Buck
land, D.D., Dean of
Westminster.
- * — Rt. Hon. Spencer Horatio Walpole, *v.* John Henry, Duke of Rut-
land.
M.P. land.
- *1858 Charles, Viscount Eversley. . . *v.* William Richard Hamilton,
Esq., resigned.
- 1859 George Grote, Esq. *v.* Henry Hallam, Esq.
- 1860 Henry, Lord Taunton *v.* Thomas Babington, Lord
Macaulay.
- 1861 Algernon, Duke of Northumberland,
K.G. *v.* George, Earl of Aberdeen.
- Sir Thomas Phillipps, Bart. . . *v.* George Granville, Duke of
Sutherland.
- 1863 Rt. Hon. Benjamin Disraeli, M.P. . *v.* Henry, Marquess of Lans-
(Earl of Beaconsfield, K.G.) . . downe.
- *1864 Robert Lowe (Viscount Sherbrooke, *v.* Rt. Hon. Sir George
G.C.B.) Cornwall Lewis, Bart.
- *1865 George Douglas, Duke of Argyll, K.G., *v.* Algernon, Duke of North-
K.T. umberland.

Succession.

- 1869 The Right Rev. Samuel Wilberforce,
D.D., Lord Bishop of Oxford
(Bishop of Winchester) . . . v. The Very Rev. Henry Hart
Milman, D.D., Dean of
St. Paul's.
- 1871 William, Duke of Devonshire, K.G. . v. Henry, Lord Taunton.
- *—— John Dalberg, Lord Acton . . v. George Grote, Esq.
- 1872 John Evelyn, Viscount Ossington . v. Sir R. I. Murchison, Bart.,
K.C.B.
- Sir William Stirling-Maxwell, Bart. . v. Sir T. Phillips, Bart.
- 1874 Charles, Earl Somers . . . v. The Right Rev. S. Wil-
berforce, Bishop of Win-
chester.
- *1876 Thomas, Lord Walsingham . . v. John Evelyn, Viscount
Ossington.
- *1878 Major-General Sir Henry Creswicke
Rawlinson, K.C.B. . . . v. The Right Hon. Sir David
Dundas.
- *—— Sir John Lubbock, Bart., M.P. . . v. Sir William Stirling-Max-
well, Bart., M.P.
- *1879 Rt. Hon. Alexander J. B. Beresford-
Hope, Esq., M.P. . . . v. John, Earl Russell, K.G.
- *1881 His Royal Highness Albert Edward,
Prince of Wales, K.G. . . . v. Sir Philip de Malpas Grey
Egerton, Bart., M.P.
- 1881 Richard Monckton, Lord Houghton . v. Benjamin, Earl of Beacons-
field, K.G.
- *1881 Very Rev. Henry George Liddell, Dean
of Christchurch, Oxford . . . v. Right Hon. William Ewart
Gladstone, M.P.
- *1883 Archibald Philip, Earl of Rosebery . v. Edward Adolphus, Duke
of Somerset, K.G.
- *1883 John Alexander, Marquis of Bath . v. Charles, Earl Somers.
- *1885 Right Hon. George Otto Trevelyan,
M.P. v. William, Duke of Devon-
shire, K.G.
- 1885 James Ludovic, Earl of Crawford and
Balcarres v. Richard Monckton, Lord
Houghton.

OFFICERS.

I.—SUCCESSION.

Principal Librarians.

1756 Gowin Knight, M.D.

- 1772 Matthew Maty, M.D. *v.* Gowin Knight, deceased.
 1776 Charles Morton, M.D. *v.* Matthew Maty, deceased.
 1799 Joseph Planta, Esq., F.R.S. *v.* Charles Morton, deceased.
 1827 Henry Ellis, Esq., F.R.S. (Sir Henry
 Ellis, K.H.) *v.* Joseph Planta, deceased.
 1856 Antonio Panizzi, Esq. (Sir Anthony
 Panizzi, K.C.B.) *v.* Henry Ellis, retired.
 1866 John Winter Jones, Esq. *v.* Antonio Panizzi, retired.
 1878 Edward Augustus Bond, Esq., C.B., LL.D. *v.* John Winter Jones, re-
 tired.

Secretaries.

- 1787 Edward Whitaker Gray, M.D.
 1806 Edward Bray, Esq. *v.* E. W. Gray, resigned.
 1814 Henry Ellis, Esq. *v.* E. Bray, deceased.
 1828 Rev. Josiah Forshall *v.* H. Ellis, promoted.
 1849 The duties of this office were united with those of Principal Librarian.

Superintendent and Director of the Departments of Natural History.

- 1856 Richard Owen, Esq. (Sir Richard Owen, K.C.B.) (*Superintendent.*)
 1884 William Henry Flower, Esq. (*Director.*)

Keepers of Departments.

- 1756 Charles Morton, M.D. Manuscript Department.
 — James Empson, Esq. Natural History Department.

Succession.

1756	Matthew Maty, M.D.	Library of Printed Books.
1765	Rev. Samuel Harper	v. J. Empson, deceased.
1773	Daniel Charles Solander, M.D.	v. M. Maty, promoted.
1775	Joseph Planta, Esq.	v. C. Morton, promoted.
1782	Rev. Paul Henry Maty	v. D. C. Solander, deceased.
1787	Edward Whitaker Gray, M.D.	v. P. H. Maty, deceased.
1799	Rev. Robert Nares	v. J. Planta, promoted.
1803	Rev. William Beloe	v. S. Harper, deceased.
1806	Henry Ellis, Esq., B.C.L.	v. W. Beloe, dismissed.
1807	Taylor Combe, Esq.	Promoted to the New Department of Antiquities.
—	George Shaw, M.D.	v. E. W. Gray, deceased.
—	Francis Douce, Esq.	v. R. Nares, resigned.
1812	Rev. Hen. Hervey Baber	v. F. Douce, resigned.
1813	Charles König, Esq., F.R.S.	v. George Shaw, deceased.
1826	Edward Hawkins, Esq., F.R.S.	v. T. Combe, deceased.
1827	Robert Brown, Esq., F.R.S.	Appointed to the Banksian Botanical Department.
—	Rev. Josiah Forshall	v. H. Ellis, promoted.
1837	John George Children, Esq., F.R.S.	Appointed Keeper of Zoology.
—	Antonio Panizzi, Esq.	v. H. H. Baber, resigned.
—	Sir Frederic Madden, K.H.	v. J. Forshall, resigned.
—	Henry Josi, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Prints.
1840	John Edward Gray, Esq.	v. John George Children, resigned.
1845	William Hookham Carpenter, Esq.	v. Henry Josi, deceased.
1851	George Robert Waterhouse, Esq. (as Keeper of Mineralogy, including Geology)	v. Charles König, deceased.
1856	John Winter Jones, Esq.	v. Antonio Panizzi, promoted.
1857	George Robert Waterhouse, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Geology.
1857	M. H. Nevil Story-Maskelyne, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Mineralogy.
1859	John Joseph Bennett, Esq.	v. Robert Brown, deceased.

Succession.

1861 Samuel Birch, Esq., LL.D.	Appointed Keeper of Oriental Antiquities, with British and Mediæval Antiquities and Ethnography, attached.	} v. E. Hawkins, retired.
— Charles Thomas Newton, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Greek and Roman Antiquities.	
— William Sandys Wright Vaux, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Coins and Medals.	
1866 Augustus Wollaston Franks, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of British and Mediæval Antiquities and Ethnography.	
— George William Reid, Esq.	v. William Hookham Carpenter, deceased.	
— Thomas Watts, Esq.	v. John Winter Jones, promoted.	
— Edward Augustus Bond, Esq.	v. Sir Frederic Madden, retired.	
1867 Richard Henry Major, Esq.	Appointed Keeper of Maps, Charts, Plans, and Topographical drawings.	
— Dr. Charles Rieu	Appointed Keeper of Oriental Manuscripts.	
1869 William Brenchley Rye, Esq.	v. Thomas Watts, deceased.	
1870 Reginald Stuart Poole, Esq.	v. William Sandys Wright Vaux, retired.	
1871 William Carruthers, Esq.	v. John Joseph Bennett, retired.	
1875 Dr. Albert Günther	v. Dr. John Edward Gray, retired.	
— George Bullen, Esq.	v. Thomas Watts, deceased.	
1878 Edward Maunde Thompson, Esq.	v. Edward Augustus Bond, promoted.	
1880 Dr. Henry Woodward	v. George Robert Waterhouse, retired.	

Succession.

1880	Lazarus Fletcher, Esq.	. . .	v. M. H. Nevil Story-Maske- lyne, Esq., resigned.
1883	Sidney Colvin, Esq.	. . .	v. George William Reid, Esq., retired.
1886	Alexander Stuart Murray, Esq.	. . .	v. Charles Thomas Newton, Esq., C.B., retired.
—	Peter le Page Renouf, Esq.	. . .	v. Dr. Samuel Birch, de- ceased.

Assistant Librarians.

1756	Henry Rimijs, Esq.	. . .	Natural History Department.
—	Rev. Samuel Harper	. . .	Library of Printed Books.
—	Andrew Gifford, D.D.	. . .	Manuscript Department.
1757	William Hudson, Esq.	. . .	v. H. Rimijs, deceased.
1758	Rev. Andrew Planta	. . .	v. W. Hudson, resigned.
1765	D. C. Solander, M.D.	. . .	v. A. Planta, removed to the Printed Books.
1773	John Obadiah Justamond, Esq.	. . .	v. D. C. Solander, promoted.
—	Joseph Planta, Esq.	. . .	v. A. Planta, deceased.
1776	Rev. Paul Henry Maty	. . .	v. Joseph Planta, promoted.
1778	Edward Whitaker Gray, M.D.	. . .	v. J. O. Justamond, dismissed.
1782	Rev. Charles Godfrey Woide, LL.D.	. . .	v. P. H. Maty, promoted.
1784	Rev. Richard Southgate	. . .	v. A. Gifford, deceased.
1787	Rev. Samuel Ayscough	. . .	v. E. W. Gray, promoted.
1791	George Shaw, M.D.	. . .	v. C. G. Woide, deceased.
1795	Rev. Robert Nares	. . .	v. R. Southgate, deceased.
1799	Rev. Thomas Maurice	. . .	v. R. Nares, promoted.
1803	Taylor Combe, Esq.	. . .	v. R. Penneck, deceased.
1805	Henry Ellis, Esq., B.C.L.	. . .	v. S. Ayscough, deceased.
1807	Horace Walpole Bedford, Esq.	. . .	v. Taylor Combe, promoted.
—	Rev. Henry Hervey Baber	. . .	v. Henry Ellis, promoted.
—	Charles König, Esq.	. . .	v. G. Shaw, promoted.
1808	William Alexander, Esq.	. . .	v. H. W. Bedford, deceased.
1812	Rev. Jas. Bean	. . .	v. H. H. Baber, promoted.
1813	William Elford Leach, M.D.	. . .	v. Charles König, promoted.
1816	John George Children, Esq.	. . .	v. W. Alexander, deceased.
1822	George Henry Noehden, LL.D.	. . .	v. W. E. Leach, resigned.

Succession.

1824	Rev. Josiah Forshall	v. T. Maurice, deceased.
1826	Edward Hawkins, Esq. . . .	v. G. H. Noehden, deceased.
—	Rev. H. F. Cary	v. J. Bean, deceased.
—	Charles Fred. Barnwell, Esq. . . .	v. E. Hawkins, promoted.
1828	Frederick Madden, Esq. (Sir Frederic Madden, K.H.)	v. J. Forshall, promoted.
1837	Rev. William Cureton	v. Fred. Madden, promoted.
1838	Rev. Richard Garnett	v. H. F. Cary, resigned.
1844	Samuel Birch, Esq. . . .	v. Chas. Fred. Barnwell, resigned.
1850	John Holmes, Esq. . . .	v. William Cureton, resigned.
—	John Winter Jones, Esq. . . .	v. Richard Garnett, deceased.
1854	Edward Augustus Bond, Esq. . . .	v. John Holmes, deceased.
1856	Thomas Watts, Esq. . . .	v. J. W. Jones, promoted.
1857	William Brenchley Rye, Esq. . . .	Appointed Second Assistant Keeper of Printed Books.
1866	Reginald Stuart Poole, Esq. . . .	Appointed Assistant Keeper of Coins and Medals.
—	George Bullen, Esq. . . .	Appointed Second Assistant Keeper of Printed Books, in consequence of promotion of Thomas Watts.
1869	William Wright, Esq. LL.D. . . .	v. Edward Augustus Bond, promoted in 1866.
—	George Robert Gray, Esq. . . .	Appointed Assistant Keeper of Zoology.
1870	George William Porter, Esq. . . .	Appointed Second Assistant Keeper of Printed Books, in consequence of promotion of W. B. Rye.
1871	Eugene Armand Roy, Esq.. . .	Appointed Third Assistant Keeper of Printed Books.
1871	Edward Maunde Thompson, Esq. . . .	v. William Wright, resigned.
—	Barclay Vincent Head, Esq. . . .	v. Reginald Stuart Poole, promoted.
1872	Dr. Albert Günther	v. George Robert Gray, deceased.
1875	Frederick Smith, Esq. . . .	v. Dr. A. Günther, promoted.

Succession.

- 1875 Richard Garnett, Esq. . . . Appointed Third Assistant Keeper of Printed Books, in consequence of promotion of George Bullen.
- 1879 Arthur Gardiner Butler, Esq. . . . v. Frederick Smith, deceased.
- Edward John Long Scott, Esq. . . . v. E.M. Thompson, promoted
- 1880 Robert K. Douglas, Esq. . . . Appointed Assistant Keeper of Printed Books (Maps) on retirement of Richard Henry Major, Esq., (Keeper of Maps).
- 1881 Robert Etheridge, Esq. . . . Appointed Assistant Keeper of Geology.
- 1884 Russell Martineau, Esq. . . . v. Eugene Armand Roy, Esq., deceased.

Extra Assistant Keepers of Departments.

- 1805 Horace Walpole Bedford, Esq. . . . Printed Books.
- 1816 Antonio Schlichtegroll, Esq. . . .
- John Thomas Smith, Esq. . . . Prints.
- 1819 George Henry Noehden, LL.D. . . . v. A. Schlichtegroll, resigned.
- 1822 Philip Bliss, D.C.L. . . . v. G. H. Noehden, promoted.
- F. A. Walter, Esq. . . . v. P. Bliss, resigned.
- 1831 Antonio Panizzi, Esq. . . . v. F. A. Walter, resigned.
- 1833 W. Young Ottley, Esq. . . . v. J. T. Smith, deceased.
- 1836 Henry Josi, Esq. . . . v. W. Y. Ottley, deceased.

Keepers of the Reading Room.

- 1758 Peter Templeman, M.D.
- 1761 Rev. Richard Penneck v. Dr. Templeman, resigned.
- 1803 The duties of this office were made over to the Assistant Librarians; in 1805 to the Under and Assistant Librarians; in 1824 to a Clerk of the Room, under the control of the Principal Librarian; and in 1857 to one of the Assistant Keepers of the Department of Printed Books, with the title of Superintendent of the Reading Room, also under the control of the Principal Librarian. The Office is now held by one of the Assistants in the Department of Printed Books.

II.—IN OFFICE IN 1886.

	Years when appointed to present office.
PRINCIPAL LIBRARIAN AND SECRETARY. Edward Augustus Bond, Esq., C.B., LL.D.	1878
DIRECTOR OF BRITISH MUSEUM (NATURAL HISTORY). William Henry Flower, Esq., LL.D.	1884
<i>Keepers of Departments.</i>	
British and Mediæval Antiquities and Ethnography, Augustus Wollaston Franks, Esq.	1866
Oriental Manuscripts, Dr. Charles Rieu	1867
Coins and Medals, Reginald Stuart Poole, Esq.	1870
Botany, William Carruthers, Esq.	1871
Zoology, Dr. Albert Günther	1875
Printed Books, George Bullen, Esq.	1875
Manuscripts, Edward Maunde Thompson, Esq.	1878
Geology, Dr. Henry Woodward	1880
Mineralogy, Lazarus Fletcher, Esq.	1880
Prints and Drawings, Sidney Colvin, Esq.	1883
Egyptian and Assyrian Antiquities, Peter le Page Renouf, Esq.	1886
Greek and Roman Antiquities, Alexander Stuart Murray, Esq.	1886
<i>Assistant Keepers.</i>	
Printed Books, George William Porter, Esq.	1870
Coins and Medals, Barclay Vincent Head, Esq.	1871
Printed Books, Richard Garnett, Esq.	1875
Zoology, Arthur Gardiner Butler, Esq.	1879
Manuscripts, Edward John Long Scott, Esq.	1879
Printed Books (Maps), Robert K. Douglas, Esq.	1880
Geology, Robert Etheridge, Esq.	1881
Printed Books, Russell Martineau, Esq.	1884
<i>Assistant Secretary.</i> John T. Taylor, Esq.	1878
<i>Accountant.</i> John Cleave, Esq.	1867
<i>Assistant Secretary (Natural History).</i> Thomas Nichols, Esq.	1880
<i>Superintendent of Reading Room.</i> George K. Fortescue, Esq.	1885



